

Counselor Junior High School

Purpose Statement

The job of Counselor Junior High School is done for the purpose/s of providing support to the instructional process with specific responsibility for managing the schedules and placement of assigned students; providing course curriculum, information and recommendations to students and parents; and assisting in the development of goals and plans for achievement.

This job reports to the Principal

Essential Functions

- Coordinates with teachers, college and university personnel, resource specialists and/or community (e.g. service clubs, courts, child protective services, etc.) for the purpose of providing/receiving requested information and/or making recommendations.
- Counsels students, parents, and guardians for the purpose of enhancing student success in school.
- Develops a variety of special programs for the purpose of providing information to assist students in the successful transition to high school and career, training and/or continuing education.
- Monitors students' progress for the purpose of identifying issues and taking appropriate action for increasing student success.
- Prepares a wide variety of materials (e.g. quantity reports, student activities, correspondence, audits, etc.) for the purpose of documenting activities, providing written reference, and/or conveying information.
- Presents information for the purpose of communicating information, gaining feedback and ensuring adherence to established internal controls.
- Researches program eligibility requirements for the purpose of providing up-to-date, accurate counsel to students.
- Schedules student classes for the purpose of securing appropriate placement and meeting their grade level, high school graduation and college eligibility requirements.
- Supervises assigned programs (e.g. group counseling, special education, ESL, etc.) for the purpose of monitoring performance, providing for professional growth and achieving overall curriculum objectives.

Other Functions

- Performs other related duties as assigned for the purpose of ensuring the efficient and effective functioning of the work unit.

Job Requirements: Minimum Qualifications

Skills, Knowledge and Abilities

SKILLS are required to perform multiple, technical tasks with a need to periodically upgrade skills in order to meet changing job conditions. Specific skill based competencies required to satisfactorily perform the functions of the job include: applying assessment instruments; preparing and maintaining accurate records; planning and managing projects; and using pertinent software applications.

KNOWLEDGE is required to perform algebra and/or geometry; review and interpret highly technical information, write technical materials, and/or speak persuasively to implement desired actions; and analyze situations to define issues and draw conclusions. Specific knowledge based competencies required to satisfactorily perform the functions of the job include: stages of child development.

ABILITY is required to schedule a significant number of activities, meetings, and/or events; often gather, collate, and/or classify data; and use basic, job-related equipment. Flexibility is required to independently work with others in a wide variety of circumstances; analyze data utilizing a variety of complex processes; and operate equipment using defined methods. Ability is also required to work with a significant diversity of individuals and/or groups; work with a variety of data; and utilize specific, job-related equipment. Independent problem solving is required to analyze issues and create action plans. Problem solving with data requires analysis based on organizational objectives; and problem solving with equipment is limited. Specific ability based competencies required to satisfactorily perform the functions of the job include: communicating with diverse groups; maintaining confidentiality; meeting deadlines and schedules; setting priorities; working as part of a team; and working with frequent interruptions. Have the ability for regular and reliable attendance.

Responsibility

Responsibilities include: working under limited supervision using standardized practices and/or methods; leading, guiding, and/or coordinating others; Utilization of resources from other work units may be required to perform the job's functions. There is a continual opportunity to impact the organization's services.

Working Environment

The usual and customary methods of performing the job's functions require the following physical demands: some lifting, carrying, pushing, and/or pulling, and significant fine finger dexterity. Generally the job requires 60% sitting, 20% walking, and 20% standing. The job is performed under minimal temperature variations.

Experience Job related experience with increasing levels of responsibility is required.

Education Masters degree in job-related area.

Equivalency

Required Testing

Certificates

School Counselor Credential

Continuing Educ./Training

Maintains Certificates and/or Licenses

Clearances

Criminal Justice Fingerprint/Background Clearance

FLSA Status

Exempt

Approval Date

Salary Range